

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph, beginning at page 12, line 26, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The catalysts used, and the results are shown in Table 4. The results show that the temperatures for onset of crystallisation ( $T_{n_0}$ ) and crystallisation ( $T_n$ ) are higher for the polyester produced using the catalyst of the invention in which the ratio of base to acid is 1.120.67, than for the polyester produced with the comparative catalyst in which the ratio of base to acid is 0.671.21 although the melting points are the same. These results provide evidence that the catalysts of the prior art, containing higher levels of base, induce faster crystallisation. The fabricator of e. g. polyester film may find a wider thermal processing window using polyester made with catalysts of the invention because crystallisation is slower.